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Intimations.

NOTICE.

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By Order,
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, December 29, 1903. 2621

NOTICE.

AN OLD ALLEGIAN DINNER will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 13th JANUARY, 1904, at the HONGKONG HOTEL.

The undersigned will receive names of any Old Allegians who have not yet been communicated with.

H. ARTHUR,
Care of Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Hongkong, December 30, 1903. 2623

NOTICE.

THE Partnership between Mr VICTOR H. DEACON and myself having expired, I shall carry on my Business in future at No. 2, WYNDHAM STREET, (Old German Club premises).

JOHN HASTINGS.
Hongkong, January 1, 1904. 7

NOTICE.

THE Partnership hitherto existing between myself and Mr JOHN HASTINGS having been dissolved by effluxion of time, my Business will in future be carried on under the Firm name of DEACON, LOCKER and DEACON.

VICTOR H. DEACON,
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Hongkong, January 1, 1904. 8

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Hongkong, December 31, 1903. 2634

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SIEMSEN & CO.
Hongkong, January 1, 1904. 6

NOTICES.

MR HARRY W. HINE is authorized to sign our Firm by Procuration from this date.

ROWE & CO.
Canton, January 1, 1904. 10

NOTICE.

WE have authorized from This Date Mr L. M. H. BOISSEREE to sign the Firm.

LUTGENS, EINSMANN & CO.
Hongkong, January 1, 1904. 13

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that NG HOK KIN has been employed as a FOREMAN and Contractor in and about the Contractor Shop CHEUNG HING.

Gentlemen are requested to be aware that all documents for transactions of the above Shop, after date shall be recognised under WONG CHEUNG PO'S Signature, and the proper Seal.

The Proprietor,
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Hongkong, January 1, 1904. 12

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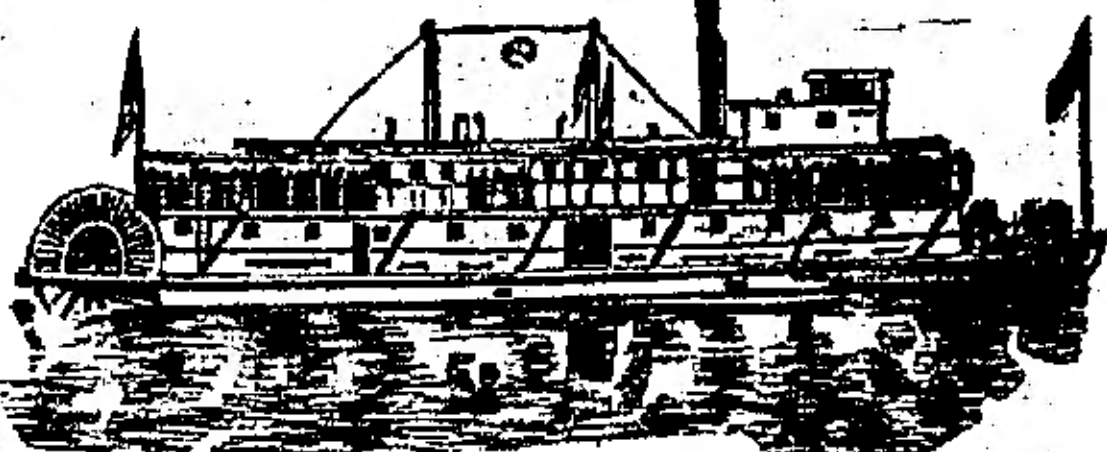
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proximo, in a South-Westerly direction, at
ranging from 600 to 4,500 yards and from
Lymington Sub-district on the 9th proximo in
the direction of the entrance to Junk Bay
at ranging from 600 to 4,500 yards.
If the weather is unfavourable on either
of the above dates, Practice will take place
on the 11th proximo.
Practice will commence at 9 a.m. on the
6th and 8th proximo, and at 9.30 a.m. on
the 9th proximo, and end at 11 a.m. daily,
if the range is clear.
By Command,
A. M. THOMSON,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, December 30, 1903. 2635

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SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified
that in accordance with the Special
Resolutions passed on 31st October, and
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of one Share for every two old Shares held
by them. Forms of Application will be sent
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The Sum of \$2.50 per Share will be pay-
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any Calls will be given.
Shareholders desirous of paying on or
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Amount payable in respect of their Shares,
can do so, and in such event will receive
fully paid up scrip in Exchange.
The New Issue will rank for Dividend
pro rata from 1st January, 1904, according
to the amount paid on such Shares on 4th
January, 1904.
THE REGISTER OF SHARES will be
CLOSED from 17th December, 1903, to
4th January, 1904, both days inclusive.
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, December 1, 1903. 2415

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9.30 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. Every 10 minutes.
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11.00 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. Every 15 minutes.
11.30 a.m. to 12.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
12.00 p.m. to 1.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
1.00 p.m. to 1.30 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
1.30 p.m. to 2.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
2.00 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
2.30 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
3.00 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
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1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
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MR CHAMBERLAIN'S FISCAL
PROPOSALS.The Position of the Crown
Colonies.

The Times of Ceylon of the 8th inst.
says:—While Secretary of State for the
Colonies, Mr Chamberlain had before him
the views of the governments of the great
self-governing colonies, and, as these gov-
ernments are in office by popular election,
they represent public opinion. Ever since
the enactment of his new policy we have
felt the anomaly that has relegated India
and the Crown Colonies to the background,
to look on, like so many nonentities, while
the rest of the Empire actively participate
in a momentous question which affects the
trade of the whole world. Mr Chamber-
lain recently remarked that India has not
expressed an opinion one way or the other.
Neither have Ceylon and the other de-
pendencies; but the fault lies mainly with
the home authorities for not having invited
an opinion. Public bodies need not, of
course, wait to be asked, and, if members
are divided on the main question, they can
at least unite in support of a protest
against the anomaly with which we are
now dealing—an anomaly which might
result in altering the fiscal policy of the
Empire over the heads of, and without con-
sultation with, important integral parts of
it. Without waiting for the privilege to be
demanded as a right, however, Downing
Street should call for opinions from the
Government of each Crown Colony, and
from its unofficial public bodies. The
views of leading business men throughout
tropical Greater Britain might be taken by
means of local commissions, and collective
opinions could eventually be summarised
for general information. We have the views
of the self-governing colonies; but they have
not ours—valuable or otherwise. We envy
them their direct influence, and power of in-
itiation and assent; but most of all must—
British residents whose lot is cast in a
Crown Colony—feel the deprivation at such
a time of political institutions and the fran-
chise. It is high time that the Secretary
of State formulated some method of
ascertaining the views held in the various
dependencies. It may be said that if
public opinion in Ceylon, for exam-
ple, were struggling to express definitely
held views special meetings of the P. A.
and of the Chamber of Commerce would
have been convened to this. Possibly the
impression that a Crown Colony has little
influence has a depressing effect on what
public feeling it possesses; but a formal
discussion of such important subjects as
retaliation and protection would result in a
better understanding of the matter, even
if no definite decision could at once be
reached. Since we first urged public dis-
cussion, the matter has been brought nearer
to us, not only by Russia's action over
her tea duty and the proposal that India
should retaliate, but also by opponents
of Mr Chamberlain calling attention to his
omission of India hitherto and by the pre-
sident of the University of Oxford on the
14th November, said that the Russian
retaliatory duty against Indian tea was a
course taken, not on account of any action
of India, but because of the British policy.
The speaker presumably referred to the
action taken under the sugar convention;
and it is pleasant to have this authoritative
assurance, because we rather suspected
that Russia's reply to the Foreign Office
would be that she had raised the duty be-
cause part of both Indian and Ceylon tea
received a bonus.
Touching the desirability of the Crown
Colonies being afforded a medium to ex-
press their views, we notice that arrange-
ments have been completed for the forma-
tion of a Colonial section of the Tariff
Reform League. This action has been
especially contributed to and enlisted
and secure the co-operation and consolidation
of all distinctively Colonial interests both
over sea and at home in support of the
objects of tariff reform, impartial reciprocity,
and union; and we trust the dependencies
will not be overlooked. Branches, we are
told, will be promoted throughout the em-
pire, which is decidedly promising. A re-
presentative committee has been formed,
consisting of the following members, with
Mr E. H. Congdon as secretary:—Sir John
Cockburn, Sir Neville Lubbock, Sir E.
Montagu Nelson, Sir Wesley D. Parvill,
Sir Charles Tupper, Col. G. A. Baynes,
and Messrs J. Powell Williams, Donald
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Owen, Joseph Rippdon, John Strayan, J.
S. A. Taylor, and G. S. Yall. The par-
ticular objects of the section are defined as
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especially as regards food supply; (2) to
promote the closer fiscal, commercial, and
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The constitution of the section provides
as follows:—
(1) The Colonial section is an association
of members of the Tariff Reform League,
notifying their full agreement with and co-
operation in the general objects of the
League, but at the same time according their
special support—financial and otherwise—
to the particular objects of the Colonial
section; (2) the qualification of member-
ship of the Colonial section of the Tariff
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date at Noon will be subject to rent
and landing charges.
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on this date subject to rent.
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Goods per *Bayal* not cleared at 4 p.m.
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On the 28th December, at the Registrar
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SCHUTTER.
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Shanghai, by the Rev. C. E. Darwent,
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HONGKONG, MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 1904.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Mrs May's 'At Home.'
We are requested to state that Mrs
May will be 'At Home' at Government
House on the first Thursday of every
month.

Boer Prisoners in India.
General Delay arrived at Bombay on
the 13th ult., and was to be attended by
Brigadier General K. M. Greenfield during
his visit to the Boer prisoners at Ahmed-
nagar.

Movements of Warships.
H.M.S. *Amphitrite*, *Talbot* and *Forster*
have gone out to sea for gun practice,
and we hear that the *Amphitrite* goes on to
Weihaiwei, and that the *Forster* is coming
home to dock. Several of the warships are
coaling, and altogether there is consider-
able activity among them.

Tae Siberian Route.
The correspondent who recently sent
us two post cards to test the relative value
of the mail routes by Siberia and by Suez
has sent us two letters to make a further
test. The letter by Siberia reached this
office early on Saturday, 2nd inst., the
letter by Suez arrived some hours later.
Both letters bear the Brighton postmark of
December 3, 6.15 p.m. The post-card by
Siberia was also the first to arrive a few
hours ahead of the card by Suez. It would
thus appear that the Siberian route beats
the P. and O. mail by Suez by only a few
hours, so that the value of the new route to
Hongkong for outward mails will not be
great till fast trains are run daily between
Moscow and Dally and mail matter is
forwarded quickly to Shanghai. Our cor-
respondent might now try the Siberian
route against the French mail.

Chinese and their Protector.
On the 23rd ult., a deputation consist-
ing of fourteen representatives of the vari-
ous Chinese tribes in Singapore, waited
on Mr. Evans, lately Protector of Chinese,
at his residence and presented him with an
address. The deputation was introduced
by the Hon. Tan Jik Kim, and the address
was signed by 98 leading men of the Hok-
kien, Teochew, Cantonese and Hakka
clans. After receiving the address, Mr.
Evans made an appropriate reply in which
he thanked them for their kind remarks,
and expressed the pleasure he felt at having
by his management of the Protectorate
earned their good feelings and approval.
They had always got on well together, and
he trusted the Government would in all
its actions always be able to rely on the
undivided loyalty of the Chinese populace.
Mr. Evans left by the *Pallanad* on the 25th
ult.

Silver and Exchange.
We have received from Messrs Hecun-
skers and Co. their annual returns of Ex-
change, but silver and bank rate of discount
in 1903. From this statement, we learn
that the highest rate of Exchange was
recorded on the 3rd and 4th of September
—1/10½—and the lowest from the 17th to
31st January and 4th to 13th February
—1/10. Silver reached its highest quoti-
on 20th October—28½—and its lowest
on 23rd and 24th January—21½. The
average T. T. rate for the four quarters of
the year were—First, 1/6½; Second,
1/7½; Third, 1/9½; Fourth, 1/10½; while
the T. T. rate for the year averaged 1/8½.
It is interesting to note that the highest
point recorded by silver in 1877 was 68½
and the lowest 53½, while Exchange was
—highest, 4/3; lowest, 3/4. Taking
decimal periods, the record stands:

Exchange.
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1884—34½ 30½ 2/3 2/2½
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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.
Seven girls were fatally and five others
badly injured in a fire at a match factory
at Kobe on December 19.

Sir John Kean's sister, Mrs Harriet
Edith Kean, has arrived at Colombo as a
guest of Sir Henry and Lady Blake.

The mortality returns for Singapore
for the week ended December 19 give a
total of 193 deaths, equivalent to a death
rate of 41.21 per thousand.

The Pallard Comedy Company were
passengers on the British India steamer
Canara, which caught fire on the voyage
from Calcutta to Rangoon.

Mr. V. Chiroi, Foreign Editor of The
Times, who accompanied the Vice-regal
party on the Persian Gulf tour, proceeded
direct to England on the completion of the
tour.

Captain Armstrong, Surgeon to the
Viceroy, who recently had to undergo an
operation in connection with his knee at
Simla, has been obliged to take sick leave
home for six months.

Lieutenant R. C. Birdwood, 2nd-
Lieut. Gurkha Rifles, has received permission to
visit the forts on the Persian Gulf and such
places of interest in the interior as may be
approved by the local authorities.

On the way out from England, the
officers of H.M.S. *Centurion* found time to
play a cricket match at Colombo against
the R.G.A. The gunners scored 133 to the
sailors' 107 (Boll 37, de Kantsow 16, Phil-
lips 13).

The Government of India has official-
ly acknowledged the very satisfactory work
done by Lieut. H. Biddulph, R.E., in
connection with the construction of the
Coomagh bridge across the Swat River
at Chakdara.

Prince of Wales and India.
The visit of Sir Curzon Wylie to India
is understood to be in connection with the
proposed tour of the Prince and Princess of
Wales in India next year.

A Felicitous Opening.
On the opening of the Supreme Court
this morning the Attorney General on be-
half of the Bar, said:—'I have the pleasure
to wish Your Lordship a happy new year. The
Chief Justice said that the Court re-
ciprocated the wish, and wished the Bar
the same.'

Lieut. Colonel Lumkin, R.A.M.C.
A Calcutta telegram states that Lieut.
Colonel F. J. Lumkin, R.A.M.C., who
has been detailed from Hongkong for duty
in India, will visit all the military stations
where his special knowledge and experience
of certain diseases may be of use in order
to demonstrate to medical officers the method
of treatment best suited to the diseases in
question.

Mr Bax-Inside Flouted.
Mr Bax-Inside, the British Minister
at Caracas, the capital of Venezuela, has
twice protested against the closing of the
Orinoco River to foreign commerce, with-
out receiving a reply. As a consequence
the British West Indian Squadron was
ordered to proceed to La Guaira, the port
of Caracas, on the 3rd of December, when
a fresh Note was to be presented to the
Venezuelan Government on the subject.

War Rumours.
At a time like the present, when two
nations are warring to the teeth and threat-
ening a breach of the peace, it is not sur-
prising that rumours of war's inevitability
are of daily occurrence. People are
now so accustomed to the cry of 'Wolf'
that little heed is taken of these rumours
unless they bear an apparent air of more
than usual certainty. To-day, it was
generally rumoured that a leading local
firm had received a circumstantial tele-
gram to the effect that war was not only
inevitable but was now 'imminent.' We
have endeavoured to follow up this rumour,
and below we give a specimen of the
conversation that 'inevitably' en-
sued:—
'I hear that you have been stating that
a telegram has been received to the effect
that war is imminent.'
'Yes.'
'Can you tell me where the telegram
came from?'
'No; Shanghai, I suppose.'
'But you do not know for certain?'
'No.'
'Who told you about it?'
'Oh, a man in the Club.'
'Well, who has received the message?'
'That I can't tell you.'
'Do you mean that you are not at liberty
to tell or that you do not know who has
got the telegram?'
'Well, to tell you the truth, I do not
know even that such a telegram is in ex-
istence.'
'Then, as a matter of fact, you do not
know anything at all about it?'
'Well, if you put it that way, I do not.'

And so the very chain of the rumour
goes on. Shanghai, which used to be the
perennial source of sensational 'bonders',
has been unusually quiet throughout the
present crisis. Our readers may take it
that up to the hour of publication no defi-
nite, reliable information of the disturbance
of the status quo has taken place up north.

TELEGRAMS.

['CHINA MAIL'S' EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]
SUPPORTED BY RUSSIA, via BOUSAY.

THE WAR CLOUD.

NO ULTIMATUM FROM JAPAN.

It is officially announced in St.
Petersburg that Japan did not fix a
time limit for a reply to her last
Note to St. Petersburg with regard
to Russia's intentions in the Far East.

MORE RUSSIAN DESTROYERS.

TWO REACH GIBRALTAR.

Two more Russian torpedo-boat
destroyers have reached Gibraltar.
They are on their way to the Far
East to augment the Russian fleet on
the China Station.

THE CHICAGO HOLOCAUST.

CRUSADE AGAINST DEFEC-
TIVE THEATRES.

The Mayor Closes Nineteen.

Immediately after the tragic fire at
the Iroquois Theatre, Chicago, a Com-
mission of Inquiry was appointed to
investigate the cause of so much loss
of life.
The Commission dealt with the
matter promptly, and has brought in
a scathing report.
Public indignation has been raised
by the result of the investigation, and
the Mayor of Chicago, acting on the
City Regulations, has closed nineteen
theatres which were defective in matters
of fire prevention and escape.

GREAT BRITAIN'S REVENUE.

A DECREASE OF £2,631,947.

The revenue collected in Great
Britain for the last quarter of the year
1903 shows a decrease of £2,631,947.

The decrease is mainly due to a
falling off in the Customs of £987,055,
Income Tax £870,000, and Excise
£430,000.

['S.C. DAILY NEWS SERVICE.']

THE CRISIS.

HOW TO MEET THE WORST.
Tokio, December 28.
It is not whether there shall be peace or
war that now constitutes the question, but
the Government is considering how to meet
the worst. Marquis Ito, Marquis Yamagata,
Count Matsukata, and other Privy Coun-
cillors are this forenoon examining the Minis-
ters, and finally settling the measures ne-
cessary to defray the extraordinary military
expenses, and the cost of the completion of
the Seoul-Fusan railway before the end of
1904. The Elder Statesman and the
Cabinet are firmly united in the determina-
tion to make a bold stand.

['FAR EASTERN PRESS ASSOCIATION.']

THE CZAR PEACEFUL.

It is believed here that the Czar has
made concessions to the demands of Japan
in order to avoid war. Those in authority
claim to believe that the Czar's agreements
with Japan will prevent hostilities.

WAR SPIRIT HIGH.

Tokio December 29.

The war spirit runs higher than ever in
this country.

Japan is recruiting its Army and Navy
to the fighting strength.

RISING IN NAMAQUALAND.

CAPE COLONY, Dec. 29.

There has been a serious outbreak against
British authority in Namaqualand and
troops have been sent against the insurgent
natives.

[Namaqualand is a vast region in South-
western Africa with a population of about
100,000 Namaquans and Hottentots. It is
rich in minerals and diamonds.]

LABOR TROUBLE IN PARIS.

PARIS, Dec. 29.

More riots have occurred here as a result
of labor troubles. Fully 5,000 work-
men are out of employment.

HOPE ABANDONED.

WASHINGTON, December 29.

General Reyes, who has been represent-
ing Colombia at Washington with Senor
Herran, has abandoned all hope of the Uni-
ted States holding the protest made by
him in the name of Colombia against the
United States assisting in her rebellion
against Colombia. Panama has refused to
pay any share of the debt of Colombia.

TELEGRAMS.

['CHINA MAIL'S' SPECIAL SERVICE.]

ENGLAND VERSUS AUSTRALIA.

THE SECOND TEST MATCH.

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

The Englishmen Batting.

MELBOURNE, January 2.

The second test match in connection
with the English cricketers' tour was
commenced yesterday on the Cricket
Ground, East Melbourne.

The weather was very unpropitious,
rain falling and interrupting play, as
well as rendering the wicket bad.

The Englishmen went to the wickets
first and when stumps were drawn had
lost two wickets for 221 runs.

Play was resumed on an unsatis-
factory wicket to-day, and at the close
of play six wickets were down for 306
runs. Tyldesley, who batted brilliantly,
was not out 97.

During his innings R. E. Foster took
31 and was compelled to retire. He
was then batting well and had compiled
49.

Following are the double figure
scores:—

ENGLAND—First Innings.
T. Hayward ... 58
P. F. Warner ... 68
R. E. Foster, retired ... 49
L. C. Braund ... 20
J. T. Tyldesley, not out ... 97
Other batsmen and Sundries 14

Six wickets for ... 306

A SYDNEY OPINION OF THE
ENGLISH CRICKETERS.

The Englishmen have virtually beaten
the three States by big margins, says the
Sydney Mail of November 25. Two were
most pronounced victories; in fact, that
against South Australia was almost for a
crusade, and the Englishmen had the con-
stant played out, as it should have been.
It was not understood then that all first-
class engagements of the tour must be
finished.

In the New South Wales match the lack
of the game was fully exemplified. Trumper
was out to a great catch by Braund with but
a dozen on the board.

The catching while the Englishmen were
batting on Friday afternoon was not good;
indeed, everything went against the local
men. On the other hand, everything went
the way of the visitors, and they seized
chances, for which they are entitled to
every credit. Lilley was particularly for-
tunate in having as many as four chances
given him to a total of 104 runs, and he
was also fortunate in securing them all.

After the first day the cricket was keener
than hitherto all round. The fielding on
both sides was excellent, and the catching
amazing. It will probably be many
years before three such remarkable one-
hand catches as were secured by Howell,
Trumper, and Braund were witnessed in the
one day. The ground fielding was also ex-
cellent.

It is evident that the keynote to victory
in the engagements of this tour will be
'patience.' The Englishmen have shown
in each of their three contests that they are
determined to be 'got out,' i.e., they will
take no risks. We have seen Braund,
Tyldesley, and Warner, all three brilliant
batsmen, content to block, block, block,
until the ball comes along that they can
score off.

English writers have had occa-
sion to refer to the slow cricket of the
Australians, and it is measure attribute
their success in England to the difference
in style of the Australian and English bat-
men. The present team is profiting by
past experience, and is adopting those
tactics. On the other hand, they have
brought a couple of bowlers who are cal-
culated to break the patience of the greatest
stomachers—the sort of bowling that makes
a batsman feel mean if he plays a maiden
over. These two stand out by themselves as
the leading bowlers of a deceptive class.

Braund gets a lot of wickets by persuading
with an attraction of the hand and arm,
that a big leg-break is coming along. Bos-
suet sends down a leg-break with an off-
leg action, and an 'off' break with a
leg action, or, if it is not his day out, the
simplest lot of deliveries imaginable. It was
said of George Palmer that he could hide his
break, and that his sole object was to beat
Blackham, the wicket-keeper, but he was
altogether a different bowler from Bos-
suet. That the latter can sell the batsman
is shown by the way he had Duff cornered.

It is idle to say that the result of this
match more than the other two contests has
not cast a damper on the prospects of Au-
stralia in the test matches.

Total ... 112

CHALLENGE.

Braund, c Webb, b Davies ... 57
Horton, b Bradford ... 5
Kinnaird, c Rutten, b Bradford ... 9
Ruse, b Bradford ... 0
Bos, b Bradford ... 0
Asger, b Turner ... 3
Pestonji, b Bradford ... 3
Crail, not out ... 2
Houghton, b Bradford ... 0
Sundries ... 6

Total ... 96

['RUSSIA'S SERVICE.']

THE WAR CLOUD.

LONDON, January 1.

The views of the Japanese Legation
yesterday were distinctly more gloomy
upon unofficial advice from Paris indicat-
ing that Russia's reply was not favourable.

The Russian steamer *Kazan*, with up-
wards of 1,000 picked men and artillery
stores, has passed the Suez Canal en route
to the Far East; this makes 4,000 picked
troops which have been similarly despatched
in the last month.

It is estimated at Cardiff that Russia has
ordered 250,000 tons of coal since October.

The absence of news from Japan is
increasing the pessimistic view of the
situation. The London papers suggest that
despatches are being purposely delayed.
Underwriters are demanding an addition-
al premium to cover war risks on vessels
proceeding to the East of Singapore.
The fire Russian-destroyers which were
recently docked at Malta have left that place
hurriedly without completing repairs.

TELEGRAMS.

THE FIRE DISASTER IN
CHICAGO.

The final computation of loss of life at
the recent fire at the Iroquois Theatre,
Chicago, is: 664 dead, 167 injured, one-
third fatally, and many missing. The
audience was 1,300. The asbestos curtain,
which was lowered on the outbreak of the
fire, stuck half-way, forming a flue through
which the flames poured all over the house
in ten minutes.

THE NEW JAPANESE
CRUISERS.

The two Argentine Cruisers recently
purchased by Japan have been renamed
the *Yasuda* and *Kurena*.
Japan has ordered the most rapid com-
pletion of the armoured cruisers *Momo*
and *Birendra*, and it is hoped that they
will be ready by the end of January.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

ROYAL ENGINEERS' F. DERBY DRUMS.

The Royal Engineers and Derby Drums
played a draw on Saturday afternoon at
Happy Valley, each team scoring one goal
each. For the Royal Engineers Green shot
a goal, while Woodhead guided the ball in
for the Derby. The game was hotly con-
tested, and at times the foot work of both
teams was rather good. Taylor and Adolph
as goal keepers were safe, and saved for
their respective sides time and again. Teams
were as follows:—

R.E.: Adolph, goal; Nixon and Leaper,
backs; Louder, Treen and Tibbles, halves;
Goodman, Spencer, Green, Speir and Cal-
laghan, f. forwards.
Derby: Taylor, goal; Bayford and Banks,
backs; Gosling, Walker, and Woodhead,
halves; Kerr, Leahy, Blackshaw, Woodhead
and Doolin, forwards.

'HUNTER' v. 'BRITOMART.'

The *Britomart* defeated the *Hunter* on
Saturday by three goals to nil. During
the first spell the *Britomart* men scored
two goals, Shipp and Nancarrow being the
scorers, while in the second half Nancarrow
scored again. The play of the *Britomart*
was of higher quality than their opponents
all round, and their win was well-earned.

Teams were as follows:—
H.M.S. *Britomart*: Cavanagh, goal;
Edmonds and Harding, backs; Bruce, Le,
Hughes, and Weston, halves; Hole, Shipp,
Nancarrow, Reynolds and Fearnley, for-
wards.
H.M.S. *Hunter*: Edmond, goal;
Thamesy and Melchior, backs; Cole,
Seal and Frogatt, halves; Nixon, Whit-
ton, Horro, Wood and Lowe, forwards.

CRICKET LEAGUE.

R.A.M.C. v. R.E.

The Royal Engineers defeated the Royal
Army Medical Corps on Saturday afternoon
by three runs.

The scores were as follows:—

R.A.M.C.
S. S. Wilson, c Tiltman, b Meldrum ... 12
L. M. Ailcock, c J. Ailcock, b Mel-
drum ... 11
Cook, b Meldrum ... 9
Woodley, b Bowyer ... 4
Latter, b Bowyer ... 2
Chaffer, b Bowyer ... 2
Williams, c Tiltman, b Bowyer ... 0
Ashmore, c Bowyer, b Meldrum ... 1
Craig, b Bowyer ... 1
Sgt. Dearsley, c Tiltman, b Bowyer ... 3
Drake, not out ... 3
Sundries ... 5

Total ... 53

R.E.

Whiles, b Williams ... 5
Tiltman, b Williams ... 0
Smith, b Williams ... 0
Glasbrook, c Chaffer, b Williams ... 1
Dixon, b Williams ... 1
Meldrum, c Wilson, b Cook ... 10
Barnfather, b Williams ... 11
Bowyer, b Cook ... 18
Jackson, c Wilson

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S.S. <i>Andria</i> , Capt. Dinaut,	10th January, 1904.	Freight.
S.S. <i>Wien</i> , Capt. Dinaut,	25th January, 1904.	Freight & Passengers.
S.S. <i>Alania</i> , Capt. Schonefeldt,	6th February, 1904.	Freight.

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Steamers	Destinations	Sailing Dates
<i>KINSHU MARU</i> , T. L. Harrison,	BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE and COLUMBO.	WEDNESDAY, Jan. 6, at Noon.
<i>TANBA MARU</i> , J. W. Wale,	MARSEILLES, LONDON, and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PANGLOSS, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.	SATURDAY, 9th Jan., at Daylight.
<i>RIJUN MARU</i> , F. L. Pyne,	VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE, U.S.A., via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	TUESDAY, 12th Jan., at 4 p.m.
<i>KANAKURA MARU</i> , H. Peterson,	KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	FRIDAY, 15th Jan., Daylight.
<i>BOMBAY MARU</i> , T. Mural,	KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	THURSDAY, 21st Jan., at Noon.
<i>MIKO MARU</i> , F. W. Haswell,	SYDNEY, MELBOURNE and ADELAIDE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, Townsville and Brisbane.	FRIDAY, 22nd Jan., at 4 p.m.

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GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	<i>Pangsey</i>	22nd January.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	<i>Movuse</i>	28th January.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	<i>Glavus</i>	3rd February.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	<i>Dardanus</i>	9th January.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	<i>Yantze</i>	19th January.
LONDON & ANTWERP	<i>Yangtze</i>	19th January.
LONDON & ANTWERP	<i>Kennion</i>	15th February.
LONDON & ANTWERP	<i>Kintock</i>	15th February.
LONDON & ANTWERP	<i>Movuse</i>	1st March.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Steamers	Sailing Dates, 1904.
<i>KIAUSCHOU</i>	WEDNESDAY, 6th Jan.
<i>SACHSEN</i>	WEDNESDAY, 20th Jan.
<i>BAYERN</i>	WEDNESDAY, 3rd Feb.
<i>GERA</i>	WEDNESDAY, 17th Feb.
<i>SEIDLITZ</i>	WEDNESDAY, 2nd Mar.
<i>PREUSSEN</i>	WEDNESDAY, 16th Mar.
<i>ROON</i>	WEDNESDAY, 30th Mar.
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<i>TACOMA</i>	2812	M. Ridley	February 26.
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The Twin-screw s.s. *Shawmut* and *Tremont* have just been fitted with superior accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers. The large size of these vessels ensures steadiness at sea. Electric fan in each room. Barber's shop and steam laundry. Cargo carried in cold storage.

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For further information, Apply to Dodwell & Co., Limited, GENERAL AGENTS.

QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, Hongkong, January 4, 1904.

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Shipping.

HONGKONG—MANILA.



Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers between Hongkong and Manila.—Saloon anti-ships.—Electric Light—Perfect Cuisine—Surgeon and Stewardesses carried.—All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.

CHINA AND MANILA
STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship	Tons	Captain	For	Sailing Dates
<i>RUBI</i>	2540	R. W. Almond	Manila Direct Jan. 9, at 10 a.m.	
<i>ZAFIRO</i>	2540	R. Rodger	Manila Direct Jan. 16, at 10 a.m.	
<i>PERLA</i>	1980	A. H. Netley		

For Freight or Passage, apply to Shewan, Tomes & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, January 4, 1904.

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OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE BETWEEN HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS AND FORMOSA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVING
TAMSUI, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.	<i>DAIGI MARU</i> , T. W. Glover,	TUESDAY, 5th January, 10 a.m.
FOOCHOW, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.	<i>ANING MARU</i> , I. Goto,	SUNDAY, 10th January, 1904.
TAMSUI, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.	<i>DAIJIN MARU</i> , T. Oozaki,	TUESDAY, 12th January, 1904.
ANPING, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.	<i>MAIZURU MARU</i> , T. Saito,	FRIDAY, 15th January, 1904.

The Co.'s new Steamers are specially designed for the coast trade of South China and Formosa, and are fitted with all modern improvements. Excellent accommodation is provided for 1st class passengers, and a duly qualified Doctor is carried. By the Co.'s Steamers for Shanghai, through Bills of Lading are issued for Cargo to Yangtze River Ports, as well as for North China Ports, in connection with the Nippon Yusen Kaisha's Steamers from Shanghai.

For Freight, Passage and further information, apply at the Co.'s local Branch Office at No. 8, Des Voeux Road Central.

T. ARIMA, Manager.

Hongkong, January 4, 1904.

AUSTRIAN NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship *MARIA VALERIE*, Captain BENNEVOLO, will leave for the above ports on FRIDAY, the 8th January, 1904.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SANDER WIELER & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, December 30, 1903.

2229

FOR KOBE, NAGASAKI AND WLAIDWOSTOK.

THE Steamship *STOLEBERG*, Captain DENAUT, will be despatched for the above ports on SATURDAY, the 9th January, at Noon.

This steamer has superior accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

For Freight or passage, apply to HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, January 2, 1904.

2607

TOYO-KISEN KAISHA

(ORIENTAL S. S. Co.)

REGULAR SERVICE BETWEEN HONGKONG AND MANILA IN 48 HOURS.

THE Company's well-known Steamship *ROSETTA MARU*, 2830 Tons, Captain H. S. SMITH, will be despatched for MANILA on SATURDAY, the 9th January, at 11 a.m.

To be followed by the *ROHILLA MARU* on the 14th January.

Magnificent Accommodation. Comfortable Cabins. Excellent Table. Unrivalled Speed. Electric Light. Doctor and Stewardesses carried.

For Freight or Passage, apply at the Company's Office, 3 Queen's Buildings, 1st House Street.

K. MATSUDA, Acg. Manager.

Hongkong, January 4, 1904.

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AUSTRIAN NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM TO FIUME AND TRIESTE Direct, Calling at SINGAPORE, PENANG, RANGOON, COLUMBO, ADEN, SUEZ and PORT SAID.

(Taking cargo at through rates to the BRAZIL, to SOUTH AFRICA, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT, VENICE and ADRIATIC PORTS.)

THE Company's Steamship *VINDOBONA*, Captain CONOR, will leave for the above places on THURSDAY, the 14th of January, p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SANDER WIELER & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, December 21, 1903.

2573

FOR ODESSA, via BOMBAY.

THE Russian Steamer *HERMAN LERCHER*, will be despatched on or about FRIDAY, the 16th January.

For Freight, apply to BRADLEY & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, December 23, 1903.

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Shipping.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Steamship *ALESIA*, Captain SCHROEDER, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 5th January, at Noon.

For Freight, apply to HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, December 28, 1903.

2606

'GLEN' LINE OF STEAMSHIPS.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship *GLENFARG*, Captain HOLMAN, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 9th January, 1904.

For Freight, apply to MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW.

Hongkong, December 17, 1903.

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REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK.

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL. (With Liberty to Call at PHILIPPINE PORTS.)

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

To Sail, 1904.

SIKH..... About Jan. 15.

SAGAMI..... Jan. 22.

AFRIDI..... Feb. 9.

For Freight and further information, Apply to DODWELL & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, January 4, 1904.

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THE 'SHIRE' LINE.

FOR HAVRE, LONDON, ANTWERP AND HAMBURG.

THE Company's Steamship *DENBIGHSHIRE*, Captain W. A. EVANS, will be despatched for the above ports on or about FRIDAY, the 15th January; to be followed by the Steamship *RADNORSHIRE*, Captain C. R. BURCH, on or about SATURDAY, the 30th January, 1904.

Vessels Advertised as Loading

January 4, 1904.					
Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Paid up.	Closing Quotations.	
				Cash.	
BANKS.					
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	30,000	\$ 125	all	\$660, sellers	
National Bank of China, Limited	19,970	£ 10	£ 8	\$312, buyers	London, £611.10
	29,855	£ 10	£ 8	\$313, buyers	
Do. Founders' shares	750	£ 1	£ 1	\$10	
MARINE INSURANCE.					
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$ 250	\$	50	\$175
China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd.	24,000	\$ 83.33	\$	25	\$68, sellers
North-China Insurance Co., Ltd.	5,000	£ 100	£ 25	\$713, buyers	\$713. 219
Union Insurance Society, Ltd.	10,000	\$ 250	\$ 100	\$490, sales & sellers	
Yangtze Insurance Assoc'n, Ltd.	3,000	\$ 100	\$	60	\$130
FIRE INSURANCE.					
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$ 100	\$	60	\$321, sales
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	8,000	\$ 350	\$	50	\$313, sellers
DOCKS, ETC.					
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	50,000	£ 50	all	\$607, buyers	
Jeco. Fenwick & Co., Limited.	6,000	£ 25	£ 25	\$40, buyers	
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	6,000	£ 61	£ 63	\$38, sellers	
S. C. Faunhan, Boyd & Co. Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	\$120, buyers	

Y & P. enow	Times (s)	Douglas Laprade & Co.
(B.C.), &c.	Empress of China (s).	Canadian P'fic R. Co.
(B.C.), &c.	Athenian (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.

Victoria, B.C. Seattle. Rigjun Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Jan. 12, at 4 p.m.
Victoria, B.C. Tacoma. Lynn (s)	Dowdell & Co. Limited	January 20.
Yma, S'hai, Moji, Kobe Palermo (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About January 1.
Yokohama & Kobe	Alesta (s)	Hamburg-Am'ka Linie Jan. 5, at Noon.

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.				
January 4, 1904.				
Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Price.	Paid up.	Closing Quotations. Cash.
DANES.				
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	80,000	\$ 125	all	\$600, callers London, £61.10.0

Bank of China, Limited ..	19,970	£	10	£	8	181½
	29,955	£	10	£	8	181½
Foreign exchange	750	£	1	£	1	110

10. Canton Insurance Office, Ltd.		700	2	1	50	100
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ltd.		10,000	\$	250	5	50 3175
China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd.		24,000	\$	83.33	25	52 265, sellers
North-China Insurance Co., Ltd.		5,000	2	100	2	23 Tls. 219
Union Insurance Society, Ltd.		10,000	\$	250	5	100 3490, sales & sellers
Yangtze Insurance & Assn. Co., Ltd.		7,000	\$	100	80	80 3135
FIRE INSURANCE						
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.		20,000	\$	100	20	102 2, sales
Hiongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.		8,000	9	350	50	8310, sellers
DOCKS, ETC.						
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co. Ltd.,		50,000	\$	50	all	1407, buyers
Jee, Fowrie & Co., Limited		25	25	25	25	240, buyers
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.		6,000	\$	61	63	238, sellers
S. C. Fanhan, Boyd & Co. Ltd.		55,700	Tls.	100	Tls.	120, buyers
STEAMBOATS, TUGS, ETC.						
Ching and Manlin S. N. Co., Ltd.		80,000	\$	50	\$	50 118, sellers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited		80,000	\$	50	all	330, sellers
H.K. O. & M. Steamship Co., Ltd.		80,000	\$	15	15	351 2, sales & sellers
Indo-Chin. S. N. Company, Limited		50,000	£	10	all	271, sales
Star Ferry Company, Ltd.		10,000	\$	10	10	380, sales
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.		10,000	£	10	5	5 19
T. K. Tai and Lighter Co., Ltd.		2,800	Tls.	50	Tls.	50 Tls. 38
Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd.		200,000	Tls.	50,	Tls.	50, sales
do. Preference.		100,000	Tls.	50,	Tls.	47 2, sellers
SUGAR						
China Sugar Company, Limited.		20,000	\$	100	a	310 4, buyers
Luzon Sugar Company, Limited.		7,000	\$	100	a	104, sellers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ltd.		7,000	Tls.	50	T	50 Tls. 65, sellers
WHAVES						
H.K. & Kow. Ward & Godwin Co.		30,000	\$	50	all	397, sellers
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co.		20,100	Tls.	100	Tls.	100 Tls. 215, sales
LAND AND BUILDING						

Land Investment and Company, Limited	50,000	\$ 100	100	\$155
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Shanghai Land Investment Co., Ltd.	4,000	Tls.	50	Tls. 50	Tls. 1042, sellers
Kowloon Land and Building Com.	4,000	£	50	50	\$95, buyers
Yai-hat-wel Land & Building Co., Ltd.	3,754	Tls.	25	Tls. 25	Tls. 128, sellers
Empire Estate & Finance Co.	100,000	£	10	all	\$114, buyers
West Point Building Co., Limited.	12,500	£	50	50	\$82, buyers
TRAMWAYS					
H.K. High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	1,250	£	100	all	\$90
TRADING					

ing & Trading Co., Ltd...	60,000	5	5	50	con
Mineral Co., Ltd.....	60,000	11	11	81.50	

Société Française des Charbon.	30,000	8	all	30 cents
Anglo Ind. Tonkin	16,000	Fcs. 250		\$600, soliers
Rand Aust. Gold Mining Co. Ltd.	200,000	2	1/10	15, soliers
HOTELS, ETC.				
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd.	18,000	6	50	\$148, soliers
Astor Hotel, Hongk.	10,000	2	1/10	\$150, buyers
Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd. (S'ha)	30,000	\$	25	\$ 25 \$38
DIENREARIES.				
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited.	60,000	3	all	\$147, Buyers
Watkins Limited	40,000	3	10	2 1/2

Lighting Co., Limited...	7,000	£	10	all	£140. 1
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Shanghai Gas Company, Ltd.....	8,000	Pln.	60	Pln. 60	Pln. 107, buyers
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited.....	30,000	S	10	S 10	S 124, sales
New Electric (new issue).....	30,000	S	10	S 10	S 47, sales
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.....	50,000	S	10	S 10	S 214, sellers
MISCELLANEOUS.					
Manila Investment Co., Ltd.....	20,000	S	00	S 50	S 15
United Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ltd.....	8,604	E 12/6	12/6	E 12/6	E 6, sellers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited.....	9,000 and 5 10 shares	S	10	S 10	S 214, buyers
Nk. Steam Water-boat Co., Ltd.....	7,000	S	10	S 10	S 114, buyers
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.....	10,000	S	10	S 10	S 124, buyers
Hongkong Ice Company Limited.....	5,000	S	11	S 11	S 124, buyers
Shanghai Waterways Co., Ltd.....	7,900	E 2	20	E 2	E 124, buyers
Tobacco Planting Company, Ltd.....	20,000	S	0	S 5	nominal
H'kong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	S	50	S 10	S 114, buyers

Iron Spinning Co., Ltd.	10,0	10	\$	10	\$100. 00
Spinning and Weav-	20,000	Ts.	50	Ts 50	Ts. 33.

International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls.	75	Tls. 75	Tls. 25, buyers
Leau-Kung-Mok Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	3,000	Tls.	100	Tls. 100	Tls. 40, buyers
Shanghai Cotton Co., Ltd.	3,000	Tls.	500	Tls. 500	Tls. 17, buyers
China Pr. v. d. Leau Mortgage Co., Ltd.	60,000	£	10	£10	£24, sales & buyers
China Borneo Company, Ltd.	60,000	£	12	£12	£23, buyers
Campbell, Moore & Co., Ltd.	1,200	£	15	all	50
Wan-Fowah, Ltd.	15,000	£	10	£10	£24, buyers
Shanghai and Hongkong Dyeing and Bleaching Co., Ltd.	1,200	£	50	£50	£20, Neutral
The Canton-Hongkong Ice and Cold Storage Company, Limited	70,000	£	10	£10	£18, Neutral
China Cold Storage Co., Ltd.	70,000	£	10	£10	£18, Neutral
Philippine Tobacco Trust Co., Ltd.	29,000	£	50	£50	£11, sellers
Am. n. b. r. Limited.	300	£	500	£500	£1, £10

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DATE.	AMOUNT.	REMARKS.	INTEREST.	QUOTATION.
October Imperial 1886	£ 12,500	1000	2500	2500
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